FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance for that property known as 2425 Ridge Road, located near Randallstown in northwestern Baltimore County. The Petitions were filed by the owner of the property, Ronald Peters. The Petitioner seeks a special hearing to permit an existing accessory structure (barm) to remain temporarily on a newly created and vacant lot until a new residence is constructed. In addition to the special hearing relief sought, the Petitioner seeks a variance from Section 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an existing accessory structure (barn) height of 19 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 15 feet, and from Section 400.1 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit said accessory structure to be located in a yard area other than the rear yard, as more particularly described herein and on Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing on behalf of the Petitions were Ronald Peters, property owner, and Cynthia B. Bowden, Registered Land Surveyor. There were no Protestants.

Testimony and evidence presented established that the subject property consists of 6.915 acres, more or less, zoned R.C. 3 and is improved with a two-story dwelling and accessory barn. The Petitioner is desirous of subdividing the property to create two residential lots, Lot 1

of which would contain the existing dwelling and Lot 2 which would contain the existing accessory structure. In addition, the Petitioner seeks to develop proposed Lot 2 with a new single family dwelling for himself in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1. Testimony revealed that the Petitioner currently resides in the dwelling on proposed Lot 1. Because the subdivision line for Lots 1 and 2 runs between the dwelling and the barn, the special hearing relief is necessary. The requested variances are necessary to legalize the height of the existing barn and to allow maximum flexibility in placement and orientation of the new dwelling on Lot 2.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

- whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome:
- 2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and
- 3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the special hearing and variances were not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of this variance request and

that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will unduly restrict the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition, the relief requested will not cause any injury to the public health, safety or general welfare. Further, the granting of the Petitioner's request is in strict harmony with the spirit

public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the special hearing and variances should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this 14^{+h} day of March, 1994 that the Petition for Special Hearing to permit an existing accessory structure (barn) to remain temporarily on a newly created and vacant lot until a new residence is constructed, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 400.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit an existing accessory structure (barn) height of 19 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 15 feet, and from Section 400.1 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit said accessory structure to be located in a yard area other than the rear yard, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1,

> and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.

Miller-Bowden Associates, Inc.

Registered Land Surveyors

461-A Main Street

Reisterstown, Maryland 21136

(410) 833-5905 / FAX (410) 833-7409

Description of

RONALD M. PETERS PROPERTY

to accompany petition for

ZONING VARIANCE REQUEST

December 13, 1993

Beginning for the same on the northeast side of Ridge Road,

approximately 4275 feet north of the intersection of Dogwood

Road, thence running along the road, as now surveyed and

referring all bearings of this description to the Baltimore

1) North 47 degrees 05 minutes 41 seconds West 263.57 feet,

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5) South 16 degrees 36 minutes 24 seconds East 124.95 feet,

6) South 77 degrees 28 minutes 16 seconds East 219.51 feet,

County Metropolitan District Grid System,

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C. Brooke Miller, R.P.L.S.

and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and

be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following restriction:

1) The Petitioner may apply for his building permit

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BAL. IMORE COUNTY 94-273-50FA

Baltimore County Government

Zoning Commissioner

Office of Planning and Zoning

March 14, 1994

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavor-

Very truly yours,

Musty 16 frow TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

for Baltimore County

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance

able, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within

thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on

filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development

(410) 887-4386

Suite 113 Courthouse

Towson, MD 21204

400 Washington Avenue

Mr. Ronald Peters

Baltimore, Maryland 21202

(2425 Ridge Road)

Case No. 94-273-SPHA

Management office at 887-3391.

cc: Ms. Cynthia Bowden

People's Counsel

Ronald Peters - Petitioner

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE

Nº /S Ridge Road, 4275' N of Dogwood Road

2nd Election District - 2nd Councilmanic District

have been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

461-A Main Street, Reisterstown, Md. 21136

2425 Ridge Road

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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of ____ successiv weeks, the first publication appearing on ___

(Hem 273) 2425 Ridge Road NE/S Ridge Road, 4275 Hearing: Tuesday, February 22, 1994 a 10:00 a.m. in Rm. 106 County Office Bidg. Special Hearing to allow an accessory structure to remain be located in a yard area other than the rear yard. LAWRENCE E. SCHMI

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property Identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204 or Room 118, Old Counthouse 400 Westington Case: #94-273-SPHA

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THE JEFFERSONIAN. LEGAL AD. - TOWSON

Petition for Special Hearing to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property located at 2425 Ridge Road which is presently zoned RC-3

This Patition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve To allow an accessory structure to remain temporarily on a newly created, and vacant, lot until a new residence is constructed. (There is an existing barn on the property which the owner is subdividing. The barn will be included on the lot with the new dwelling rather than

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

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to allow an accessory structure to be located in a yard area other than the rear yard. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty) There is an existing barn on the property. The owner proposes to subdivide the property and include the barn on the lot with the new dwelling, rather than with the existing house. A variance from the height limit is necessary because the barn is existing and the owner does not want to tear it down. A variance from the rear yard requirement is requested to allow maximum flexibility in placement and orientation of the new dwelling. Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. VWe do selemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are thr 2425 Ridge Road _____526-4346 (work) Baltimore, Maryland 21207 Name, Address and phone number of representative to be contacted. Cynthia Bowden Miller-Bowden Associates, Inc. 461-A Main Street

Petition for Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Batimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) 400.3 to allow an accessory

which is presently zoned RC-3

Reisterstown, Md. 21136 Phone No. 33-5905

for the property located at 2425 Ridge Road

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This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

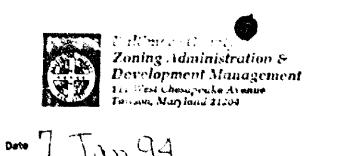
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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-3353 ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

1) Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing.

2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

	ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR
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Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 94-273-SPHA (Item 273) 2425 Ridge Road NE/S Ridge Road, 4275' N of Dogwood Road 2nd Election District - 2st Councilmanic

Petitioner(s): Ronald Peters HEARING: TUES. FEB. 22, 1994 at 10:00 a.m. Rm.. 106, County Office Bldg.

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LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

NOTES: (1) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353. (2) FOR INFORMATION CONCERING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, PLEASE CALL 887-3391.

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Towson, MD 21204 JANUARY 14, 1994

111 West Chesapeake Avenue

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cc: Ronald Peters Cynthia Bowden

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management



111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-3353

February 15, 1994

Mr. Ronald Peters 2425 Ridge Road Baltimore, Maryland 21207

> RE: Case No. 94-273-XA, Item No. 273
> Petitioner: Ronald Peters Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance

Dear Mr. Peters:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The attached comments from each reviewing agency are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties, i.e., zoning commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case.

Enclosed are all comments submatted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition. If additional comments are received from other members of ZAC, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on January 7, 1994, and a hearing was scheduled accordingly.

The following comments are related only to the filing of future zoning pelitions and are aimed at expediting the petition filing process with this office.

1. The director of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby seasoned zoning attorneys who feel that they are capable of filing petitions that comply with all acpects of the zoning regulations and petitions filing requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by zoning personnel.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: January 24, 1994 Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM: Robert W. Bowling, Chief Developers Engineering Section

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for January 24, 1994 Item No. 273

The Developers Engineering Section has reviewed the subject coning item. This site is subject to the Minor Subdivision comments dated 10-28-93, #93-158 MP.

> ROBERT W. BOWLING, P.E., Chief Developers Engineering Section

State Highway Administration

O. James Lighthizer Secretary Hal Kassoff Administrator

1-20-94

Re: Baltimore County
Item No.: \$\psi \ 273 (CAH)

Ms. Charlotte Minton Zoning Administration and Development Management County Office Building

Room 109 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Ms. Minton:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not effected by any State Highway Administration project.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

John Contestabile, Chief. **Engineering Access Permits**

My telephone number is _____ Maryland Relay Service for Impaired Hearing or Speech 1-800-735-2258 Statewide Toll Free Mailing Address: P.O. Box 717 • Baltimore, MD 21203-0717 Street Address: 707 North Calvert Street • Baltimore, Maryland 21202

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration and Development Management

DATE: January 20, 1994

94-2735911A

FROM: Pat Keller, Deputy Director

Office of Planning and Zoning SUBJECT: Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

The Office of Planning and Zoning has no comments on the following petition(s):

Item No. 262, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 270, (273) 274, 275 and 276. If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3480.

PK/JL:lw

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

February 2, 1994

Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration and Development Management

> J. Lawrence Pilson Development Coordinator, DEPRM

SUBJECT: Zoning Item #273 - Peters Property 2425 Ridge Road

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of January 18, 1994

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management offers the following comments on the above-referenced zoning item.

Environmental impact Review:

Development of the property must comply with the Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains.

This must comply with the Forest Conservation Act (Article X).

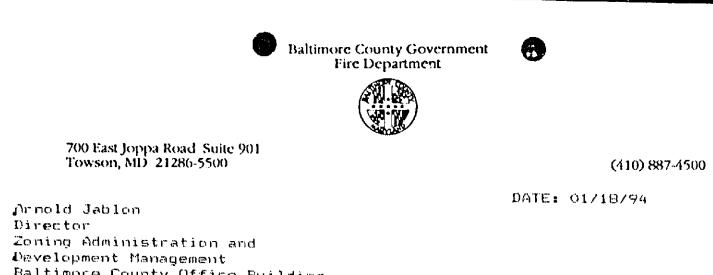
Ground Water Management:

Soil percolation tests have been conducted. Prior to building permit application, a well meeting the minimum Baltimore County Standards must be drilled.

Development Coordination:

In order to subdivide this property, the owner or developer will be required to comply with the subdivision regulations of the State of Maryland and Baltimore County. If there are any questions regarding the subdivision process, please contact the Development Coordination Section at 887-3980.

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Director Zoning Administration and Development Management Baltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204 MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

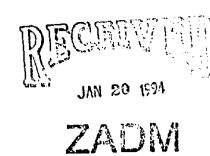
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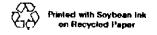
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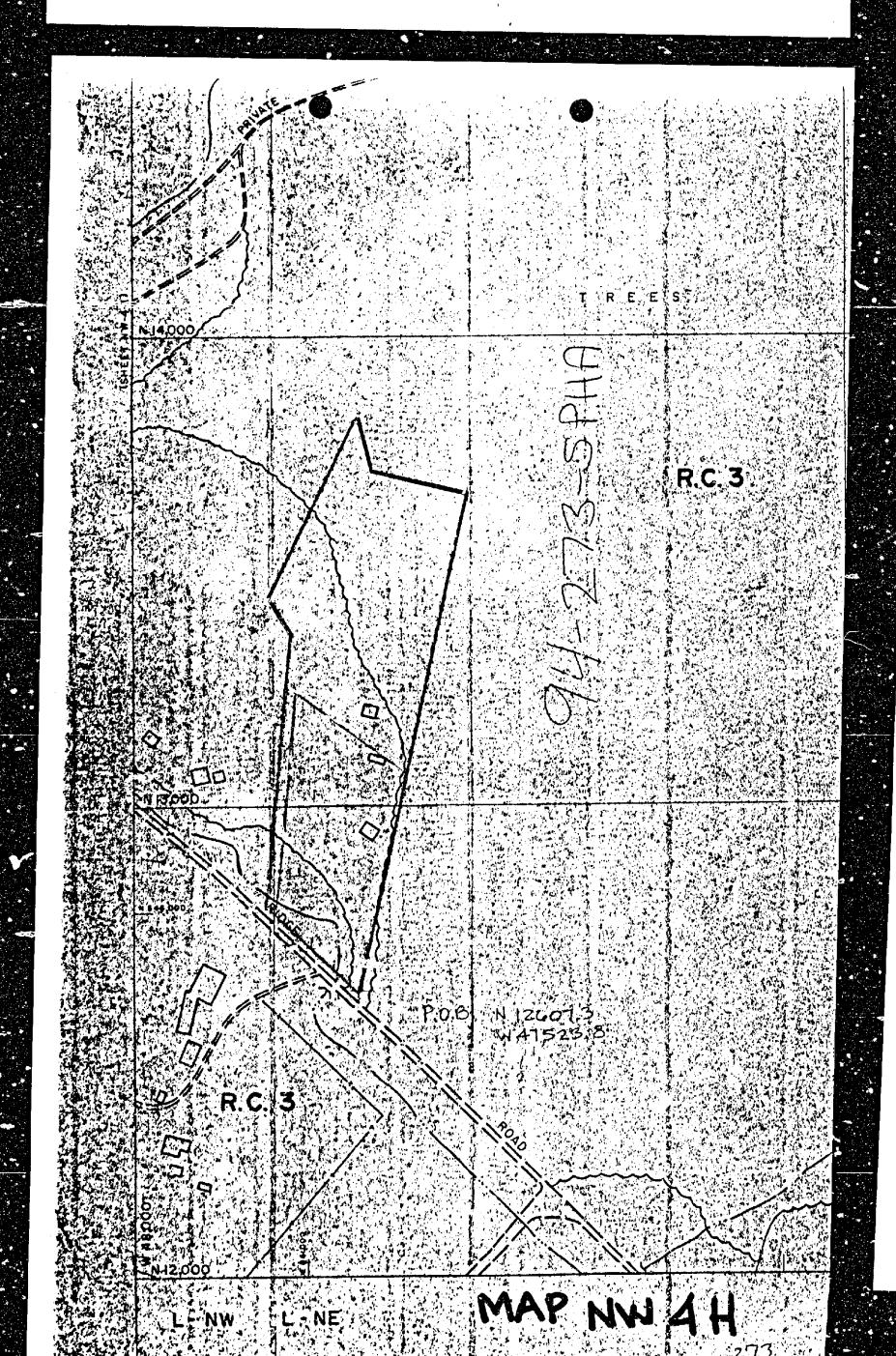
Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

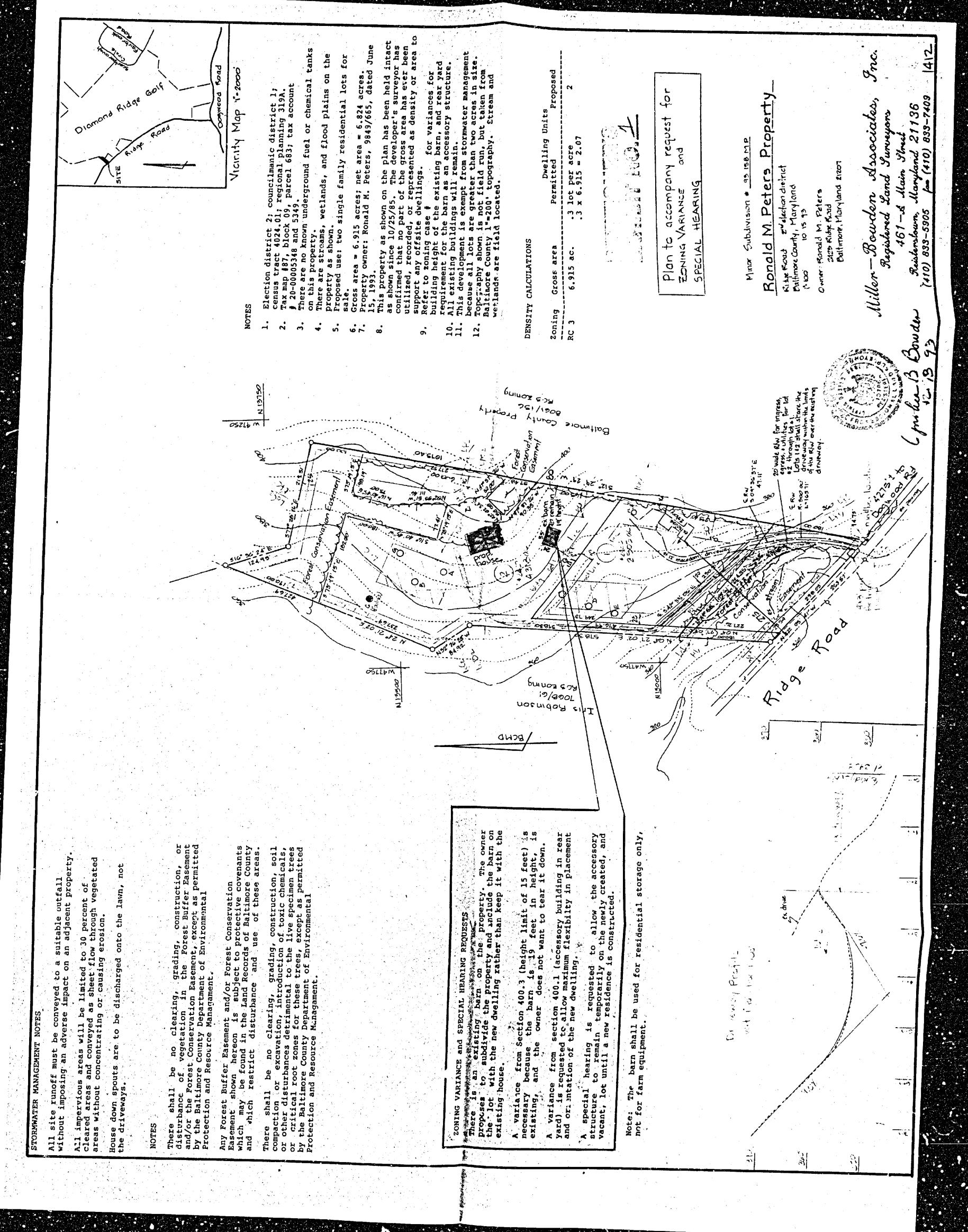
7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time, ON THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS:264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 272, 273, 274, 275, AND 276.



REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD Fire Prevention, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F cc: File







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